

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Number : 10/576,473 Confirmation No.: 7219
Applicants : Bertold BAST *et al.*
Filed : April 20, 2006
Title : Reclosable Beverage Can
TC/Art Unit : 3782
Examiner: : Unassigned

Docket No. : 60291.000049
Customer No. : **21967**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the above-captioned application as set forth below. This supplemental preliminary amendment is in response to a notice of non-compliant amendment mailed on January 17, 2008. Representatives of the undersigned spoke with USPTO Head Legal Instruments Examiner, Tiffany Vines, who agreed that the notification should be withdrawn. Unfortunately, the notification was not withdrawn prior to the deadline for submitting a response to the notice of non-compliant amendment. Applicant therefore hereby submits this supplemental preliminary amendment in order to ensure that the amendment is entered.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 34 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 44 of this paper.